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EASTERN HEMLOCK

Tsuga canadensis

Classic Northern New England conifer serves well in a variety of protected settings in town.

Growing Information

Sunlight	Shade, part shade
Soil Type	Moist, well-drained, acidic
Height	40–70' (but can reach 100')
Flowering calendar	April

Benefits for Wildlife

Leaves	Yes
Flowers	Yes
Fruit	Yes
Seeds	Yes

Host to 113 caterpillar species, including: (common names) Cecropia silkmoth; Imperial moth; Pale beauty; Whitemarked tussock moth; Four-spotted fungus moth; Green hemlock needleminer moth; Labrador carpet; American idia; Nelson's hairstreak

Benefits for People

- Can be pruned for use as a hedge/screen

Natural Habitat

- Cool, moist, protected areas in forests

